



Meeting Notice

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Board holds hearings on disease reporting, immunizations, and diseases from animals

Wednesday, November 10, 2010, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Shoreline Conference Center, 185601 First Ave. N.E., Shoreline, Washington

At its November 10 meeting, the state Board of Health will hold hearings on possible changes to three of its rules. Changes to the notifiable conditions rule would update which diseases need to be reported to public health agencies and when. Changes to the immunization rule would update the timing of polio vaccines for school children. Changes to the zoonotic diseases rule would better protect the public from diseases passed from animals to humans. The board will also hear briefings on school-based health centers and the certification of labs that test the safety of drinking water.

The meeting is open and the public is invited to provide testimony on any public health issue at 10:30 a.m. Copies of the agenda and related materials are available by contacting the board at 360-236-4100 or on the [Board of Health Web site](http://www.sboh.wa.gov) (www.sboh.wa.gov). The emergency and media contact number for the board during the meeting is 360-701-2398.

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